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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss. Town of Wayland

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wayland, in said County:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the High School Field House on

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1980

at 7:45 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. ACCEPT NEW BIDDING REGULATIONS

PROPOSED BY: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 4G of the General Laws, which provisions read as follows:

> Section 4G. Notwithstanding the provisions of section four B, in any city or town which accepts the provisions of this section, unless otherwise provided by by-law or special law in towns and districts, no contract for the purchase of equipment, supplies or materials, the actual or estimated cost of which amounts to four thousand dollars or more, except in cases of special emergency involving the health or safety of the people or their property, shall be awarded unless proposals for the same have been invited by advertisement in at least one newspaper, if any, published in the town or district, otherwise in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the town or district, such publication to be at least one week before the time specified for the opening of said proposals. Such advertisement shall state the time and place for opening the proposals in answer to said advertisement, and shall reserve to the town or district the right to reject any or all such proposals. All such proposals shall be opened in public. No bill or contract shall be split or divided for the purpose of evading any provisions of this section. Materials purchased by any town, under specifications of the department of public works, and at prices established by said department of public works, pursuant to advertising and bidding for such purpose, in connection with work to be performed under the provisions of chapter eighty-one or chapter ninety, shall not be subject to the requirements of this section. The provisions of this section shall apply to regional school districts. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the purchase of supplies for municipally operated hospitals without advertised public bids under group purchasing contracts with any agency which has been certified for this purpose by the director of accounts in the bureau of accounts, provided that such contracts are filed with the town accountant or city auditor.

The name and address of every person whose contract or contracts with the town involve a cumulative cost in excess of four thousand dollars during the fiscal year of said town shall be posted in the office of the town clerk by the town accountant of said town.

The provisions of this section shall be deemed to have been complied with on all purchases made under the provisions of sections twenty-two A and twenty-two B of chapter seven when one municipality acting on behalf of other municipalities complies with the provisions of this section, or when purchases are made from a vendor holding a contract with the commonwealth for the item or items being purchased.

Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than three years or in a jail or house of correction for not more than two and one-half years, or by both such fine and imprisonment; and in the event of final conviction, said person shall be incapable of holding any office of honor, trust or profit under the commonwealth or under any county, district, or municipal agency.

or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: Currently, the Town is required to advertise for bid any purchase of goods in excess of $2000. Inflation has driven many items over the $2000 limit, with the result that much more municipal purchasing must now go out for bid. This process is time-consuming and expensive for both the Town and the bidder, and many prospective bidders are unwilling to take the time and incur the expense for a small contract.

The Article provides for the Town to accept a section of the General Laws which raises the $2000 limit to $4000. In addition, the section requires the names of persons doing more than $4000 per year worth of business with the Town to be posted. Penalties are also set for noncompliance.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 2. STUDY OF MDC SUDBURY RIVER DIVERSION PLAN

PROPOSED BY: CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ESTIMATED COST: $20,000

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Excess and Deficiency.

Article 2. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to engage professional services with regard to a proposal by the Metropolitan District Commission to divert additional water from the Sudbury River; to determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend the funds appropriated for the purposes set forth above; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: The Conservation Commission seeks $20,000 in order to engage an expert technical consultant to monitor and evaluate a proposal by the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) to divert an average of 20,000,000 gallons of water per day from the Sudbury River system into the MDC water supply which serves forty-five cities and towns in Massachusetts.

The Conservation Commission feels that Wayland is particularly vulnerable to changes in the Sudbury River. Therefore, the Commission has serious concern that the proposed diversion can adversely affect our water supply and its quality, and can increase the potential for flood damage in the Town. The issue of Town water supply is addressed by the Water Department in the following Article. The possibility of increased flood damage involves the question of whether disturbance of the river's natural flow patterns will cause increased levels of major floods. A potential decline in the quality of drinking water relates to chemical

and biologic changes which might follow a shift in natural flow patterns.

The MDC, an independent, bond-issuing authority, has the statutory right to divert the waters of the Sudbury River and now does so to a limited degree. However, the current proposal, which vastly increases the volume of water to be diverted, includes the projected construction of a $10,000,000 water treatment plant in Southborough. Because of this proposed construction, the MDC is required to carry out an environmental impact study to assess the effects of the diversion all along the course of the river. The scope of this study is now being determined. Ideally, the impact study would address the issues which are vital to Wayland. The reality is that Wayland is only one of a number of communities which lie along the river and its concerns will be but a small part of the study. Moreover, the impact study is being commissioned and supervised by the MDC whose ultimate aim is to carry out its proposal with little or no change.

The Conservation Commission feels that the Town should take action to protect its interests by having a consultant available as quickly as possible to review the scope of the environmental impact study while the opportunity exists to recommend procedures which can address Wayland's concerns. Additionally, the consultant will participate on behalf of Wayland in public hearings, review and monitor the impact study as it progresses, and prepare an evaluation and response to the ultimate impact report. It is anticipated that all these activities will take a number of years to be completed.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 3. TESTING TOWN WELLS

PROPOSED BY: WATER COMMISSIONERS

ESTIMATED COST: $15,000

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Water Department - Water Available Surplus

Article 3. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed $15,000 to be expended by the Water Commissioners to provide equipment and related services for testing and sampling of water in the Sudbury River and at wellfields within the Town; to determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: The Water Department is requesting money to develop a definitive answer to the question of the impact of the Sudbury River on the Town's wells. Wayland's water is obtained from wells which tap the deep-level, water-bearing aquifer formations which occur in areas near the Sudbury River. Although it has been understood that the river has a direct relationship to the recharging of our aquifers, there has been no previous need to document this.

Now, in light of the MDC proposal discussed in the previous Article, the Water Department feels that this is the time to determine the precise relationship of the river to the Town's water supply. Further, the department considers it an urgent matter to learn what effects the increased diversion of waters from the Sudbury River will have on the water levels in the wells and on the quality of water to be pumped.

Funds will provide testing equipment, overtime labor, and engineering costs for daily tests in five wellfields and three to five locations along the river. Testing would be conducted by Water Department employees from November, 1980 through July, 1981.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 4. AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION RESTRICTION ON ANZIVINO FARM

PROPOSED BY: CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ESTIMATED COST: $123,000

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Excess and Deficiency

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Conservation Commission to acquire, jointly with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as provided in Chapter 132A, Section 11A of the General Laws, an Agricultural Preservation Restriction, as defined in Chapter 184, Section 31 of the General Laws, in and upon a parcel of land standing in the names of Dominic Anzivino, Alfred Anzivino, Rose M. Pender, and Leonard A. Anzivino and containing 18.04 acres, more or less, shown on Plates 48 and 52 of the Town Atlas and on a plan entitled: "Plan of Land in WAYLAND-NATICK MASS. Scale 1 in = 100 ft. November 2, 1956 William J. Ford, Jr. Civil Eng'r Newtonville-Mass." which plan is on file at the office of the Town Clerk; to determine whether the Town will appropriate money therefore, to be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: This Article was inserted in the Warrant by the Conservation Commission to see if the Town will vote to acquire an Agricultural Preservation Restriction (described below) on approximately 18 acres of farmland in Cochituate owned by the Anzivino family, which is bounded by four streets, Commonwealth Road, Loker Street, Thompson Road and Rice Road, except the house and lot at #374 Commonwealth Road.

The Conservation Commission advises that this parcel of land was not included in the original Conservation Master Plan but was added in 1977 for two main reasons. First, it is productive agricultural land and in recent years the need for preservation of farmland has received increased

emphasis by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Second, the Conservation Commission feels that it is important to preserve open space in the more densely settled southern part of Wayland. This was recognized in 1967. However, some of the parcels which were originally located for preservation or acquisition at that time have been lost through development and this parcel is added as compensation for the lost land. The primary benefit to the Town is to preserve the rural look of Wayland as far as possible. The desire of the Townspeople to do so was expressed in the Growth Policy Committee Report of 1976.

The proposal calls for the acquisition of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction ("APR"). An APR is authorized by the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 132A, Section 11B and is administered by the Agricultural Lands Preservation Committee created under the statute. It is essentially a farm-preservation program in part funded by State money. The Preservation Committee has the power to decide which agricultural land is most deserving of protection and to purchase development rights in the land, thereby protecting it for continued agricultural use. If the municipality in which the land is located wishes to participate, the APR can be acquired on a joint basis by the State and the Town. The effect of the APR is to give the State (and the Town in a joint acquisition) the power, thereafter, to enforce the landowner's agreement not to develop the land or use it in any fashion other than for agricultural purposes. The construction of all buildings except those which are used for agricultural purposes is prohibited. The public would have no access to the land.

Normally, the Conservation Commission would have worked out a specific proposal with the State and, thus, have the exact cost of the project in hand prior to coming to Town Meeting. However, in this case the Conservation Commission feels that the Town must act initially to indicate it is willing to participate in this program (a first in Wayland) to interest the Agricultural Preservation Committee in participating on behalf of the State. Many communities are in competition for the limited funds available for the APR program. While the Anzivino land is a productive farm, it is not, by the standards applied generally, a high priority farm needing protection. However, it is high priority open space for the Town of Wayland. Thus, the Conservation Commission feels that the Town should decide whether or not it wants to participate on an estimated cost basis.

The Conservation Commission wishes to offer 50% of the estimated minimum value of the APR. This makes the Town's share of the project large enough to provide a reasonable expectation that the State will participate. On this basis, the Conservation Commission recommends an appropriation of $123,000 based upon consideration of data from the Town Assessors' records and the development potential of the land. The owners' asking price was not a consideration. There is the added proviso that the actual payment shall be no more than 50% of the actual cost of the APR. In any event, before the project is completed, the purchase price of the APR must be determined by an appraisal obtained by the Agricultural Lands Preservation Committee.

If this project is carried out and later the owners of the land wish to develop it, they may, if the land is deemed no longer suitable for agriculture, and if the Town and State so approve, repurchase the APR at its then fair market value. This insures that the Town and the State would share in any appreciation in value which had occurred.

If the owners later wish to sell the land for continued agricultural use, they may do so. The APR remains binding on all owners. The purchase price would, obviously, be based on the value of the land for agricultural purposes only.

Since the land is presently assessed at $25,000 under the Farmlands Assessment Act, annual taxes under that assessment (now $1,100) would continue if an APR is acquired. It should be noted that whenever land assessed under this special category is sold for development, the Town must be paid back the additional taxes which would have been otherwise assessed. In this case, that amount would now be $30,000.

The alternatives to the APR would seem to be three:

First, the owners might make a gift of the development rights to the Town. The owners are not so inclined in this case. The land has been owned by four individuals one of whom, Dominic Anzivino, died recently. The owners are actively seeking to liquidate their investment. However, the heirs to Mr. Anzivino's portion of the land would like to be able to keep the land open and continue to farm it.

A second alternative would be the outright purchase of a Conservation Restriction. This would be more expensive to the Town since there would be no State reimbursement.

A third alternative would be the outright purchase of the land. This would be the most expensive solution and the Conservation Commission has not engaged in any serious negotiations with the owners concerning this possibility. In addition, if the Town were to purchase the land outright it would lose the tax revenues and also be faced with the expense of management of the land.

The APR program is new and quite unfamiliar to most voters. The Conservation Commission will be prepared at Town Meeting to answer questions about the program and to describe more fully the reasons which led to the present proposal.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

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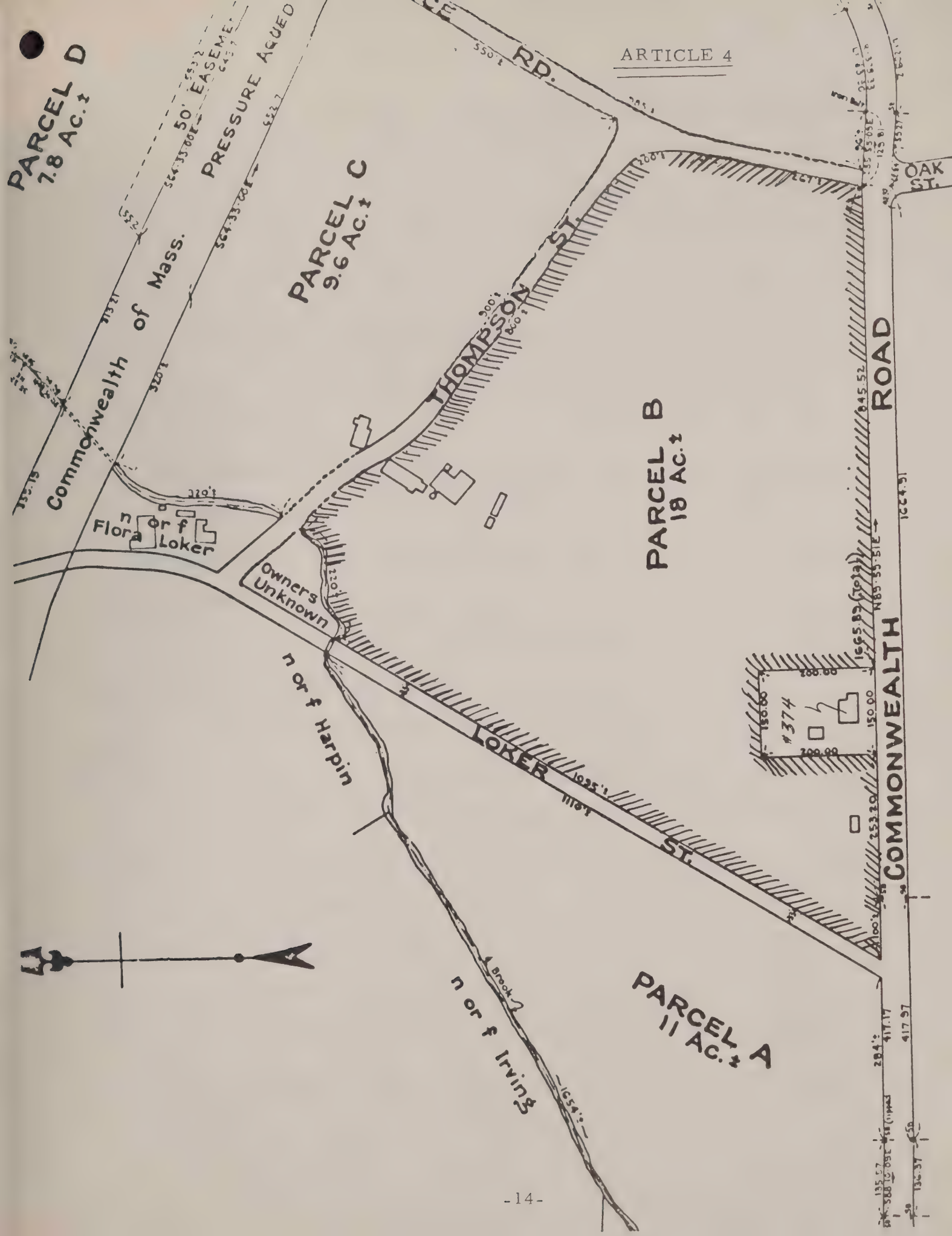
ARTICLE 4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ARTICLE 5. TEACHER SUMMER PAY

PROPOSED BY: SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

ESTIMATED COST: $148,000

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Overlay Surplus

> Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $148,000 for the operation and expenses of the School Department, or otherwise make provision for the payment of said expenses; to determine whether any such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: This Article was inserted in the Warrant by the School Committee and the Finance Committee, and calls for the appropriation of $148,000 to be derived from unused funds of the School Building Planning Committee to do away with the unfunded liability for teacher summer pay, a liability originally created in 1973-74.

The origin of this problem lies with the conversion of the cities and towns in Massachusetts to a fiscal year (July 1 - June 30) accounting system from the historic calendar year system.

Cities and towns have historically reported their affairs on a cash basis, primarily compiling reports of actual cash receipts and cash expenditures. Upon the occasion of the 18-month transition budget which ran from January 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974, a special problem appeared in all local budgets relating to teacher summer pay. With the school year completed in June, clearly the teachers had fulfilled their contractual obligations to the Town, but many teachers chose to postpone receipt of all of the compensation due them until July or August which placed the

payment in the next fiscal year. Notwithstanding the cash basis reporting system, the State took the position that the cities and towns should appropriate monies in the budget ending June 30, 1974 to meet the payments to be made in July and August of 1974. The estimated cost would have added $607,000 to the 18-month budget. Rather than add an appropriation of this size to the tax levy simply for accounting purposes, the Finance Committee made a recommendation which it explained in its 1973 budget message as follows:

> "The Finance Committee, with School Committee concurrence, recommends that no funds be appropriated this year to meet this 'accounting' cost and that the Town await a legislative decision; yet, the Town needs to be aware of the liability in the event the State requires some form of appropriation to meet this one-time 'bulge' item."

In the meantime, the School Committee undertook to work down the amount of this "paper" liability from annual surpluses and transfers.

Occasioned by the Haskins & Sells audit in 1977, the matter was reviewed again by the Finance Committee and the School Committee. According to the Haskins & Sells audit of June 1977, the liability then stood at $588,000. Accordingly, the Finance Committee recommended to the November, 1977 Special Town Meeting a series of transfers totalling $110,000 to reduce the liability and the School Committee again undertook the commitment to amortize the remaining unfunded balance from annual surpluses and State receipts. By June 1980, at the end of our most recent

fiscal year, the obligation had been reduced to $236,000.

The State has now formally notified all cities and towns that any remaining unfunded liability must be eliminated as soon as possible. The School Committee believes that it will have available a State reimbursement, largely relating to Metco program costs, of about $95,000 before the end of this fiscal year which, with the $148,000 proposed hereunder, will provide for all of the monies to fund the liability fully.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 6. PUBLISH HISTORY OF WAYLAND

PROPOSED BY: HISTORICAL COMMISSION

ESTIMATED COST: $22,000

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Excess and Deficiency.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed $22,000 to make possible publication of a history of Wayland, the manuscript and copyright of which have been offered to the Town as a gift in honor of Wayland's 200th anniversary, with all proceeds from the sale of the published book to be returned to the Town; to determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: This Article was inserted in the Warrant by the Historical Commission. The Commission is requesting the financial assistance needed to underwrite publication of the first well-documented history of Wayland. Many years of research and writing have recently been completed by the author, Helen F. Emery, and her manuscript provides an appropriate way to commemorate the Town's 200th birthday. The history would be a hard-cover book of about 385 pages with maps and about 50 illustrations, depicting the beginnings and growth of both the farming community of Wayland Center and the industrial community of Cochituate Village from 1638 to the present day. The manuscript and copyright would be a gift to the Town by the author, and an intensive sales effort is planned with the goal of returning to the Town all monies advanced under this Article.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 7. LOKER SCHOOL USE

PROPOSED BY: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ESTIMATED COST: $44,500

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Excess and Deficiency.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to provide for the costs and expenses of the leasing by the Board of Selectmen of the Loker School building or any portion thereof to such nonprofit educational and/or cultural organizations as are selected by the Board and upon such terms and conditions as it may determine, for a period not to extend beyond August 31, 1981, or to provide otherwise for the maintenance and security of the Loker School building; to determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: This Article was inserted in the Warrant by the Board of Selectmen to see if the Town will appropriate funds for the use of the Loker School building as a community educational center.

During the past year, the Loker School Building Use Committee, established by the Wayland School Committee, studied many alternative uses for the building and solicited and evaluated proposals from several different types of institutions. The focus of the Building Use Committee was on potential occupancy that would be educational and nonprofit in nature and that would provide benefit to the Wayland community as a whole. Commercial uses were not seriously pursued since the building is in a developed neighborhood which is zoned for residential use only. With the determination by the School Committee that the Loker School

would not be required for school purposes for the indefinite future, the Committee formally turned the building over to the Board of Selectmen along with the recommendations of the Building Use Committee.

The Board of Selectmen subsequently established a committee to determine the cost basis for renting the building, held discussions with all serious prospective tenants to understand their needs and potential uses, and directed Town Counsel to draw up a lease.

The purpose of this Article is threefold: 1) The Board of Selectmen wishes to have the Town vote on the policy issue of using the Loker School for community educational purposes. 2) The Board seeks approval to test the viability of the policy and the Town's ability to administer the property by renting the School for a one-year trial period to the four currently committed organizations (and possibly others). 3) Since the Town budget for the current fiscal year does not provide for the full operation of the building, the Town must appropriate and transfer funds in order to supplement available funds to operate and maintain the building for the period of the lease.

Results of the analysis of the costs for running the building for the current fiscal year indicate an estimated total of $69,000, itemized as follows:

Heat (Oil)	$17,800
Electricity	18,300
Gas	200
Water	250
Rubbish Removal	850
Maintenance	6,500
Custodial/Security	15,600
Insurance	6,000
Grounds Upkeep	3,500
TOTAL	$69,000

These estimates are based on Fiscal Year 1980 costs which have been increased to reflect inflation, current contracts and wage schedules. The figures assume daily operation of the building from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Since it is anticipated that the building will be used beyond these hours, the lease arrangement provides that any costs arising from additional use of the building will be borne by the tenants incurring those costs.

The Town is able to provide $24,500 from its current budget toward the operating costs of the building stated above as follows:

Grounds Upkeep (Highway)	$ 3,500
Insurance (Insurance-General)	6,000
Interim Maintenance (School)	15,000
TOTAL	$24,500

The required funding needed now is, thus, $44,500 which is the $69,000 referred to above less the $24,500.

The Board of Selectmen expects four organizations to become tenants of the Loker School building immediately after the approval of this Article and the signing of the lease. These groups are Arts/Wayland, an association of artists who will use the facilities for studios and teaching; TEC, an educational organization supported by 10 communities (including Wayland) which offers classes for special needs students; Wayland Children's Day-care Center, which provides a day care facility; and Bay State Dance and Gymnastics, which offers dance and gymnastics instruction. The Selectmen expect to rent approximately 22,250 sq. ft. of space at the Loker School for $2.25 per sq. ft. per year to these organizations. This amounts to $50,062 in rental income which will more than offset the funds sought by this Article, but will not offset the total amount ($69,000) required to operate the building.

Prior to Town Meeting, the Selectmen will apply for any special permits that may be required for the intended use of the building. Results of a hearing with the Zoning Board of Appeals, should one be necessary, will be reported at Town Meeting.

Although mindful of the added initial cost to the Town, the uncertainty of future costs, and the increased burden on the Executive Secretary and his staff, the Finance Committee supports the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee in wishing to have the Loker School building put to a use

that will benefit the Town as a whole. The prospective tenants of the building appear to offer the Town a unique, exciting and beneficial opportunity which, it is hoped, will result in an asset which will enrich the Town over the long term.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 8. AIR CONDITION LIBRARY BUILDING

PROPOSED BY: LIBRARY TRUSTEES

ESTIMATED COST: $14,000

EFFECT ON TAX RATE: No effect. Transfer from Excess and Deficiency.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed $14,000 to install an air conditioning system in the Library Building and to determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under the authority of the General Laws, or otherwise; or take any action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: This Article was inserted in the Warrant by the Library Trustees to see if the Town will vote to install air conditioning in the Library. The request is being brought before the Town at this time because

the Library was forced to close early several days last summer due to the heat,

during the summer there were a number of patrons who suffered extreme discomfort from the heat,

excessive heat and humidity are harmful to books, and

the attic fan and dehumidifier now in place in the Library do not adequately control these conditions.

If this request were to be deferred to Annual Town Meeting in the Spring of 1981, there would be no guarantee that the air conditioning would be in place before the end of next summer. Furthermore, off-season installation costs are about 10% less and work proceeds more quickly with less disturbance to patrons.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

ARTICLE 9. EXCEED TAX CAP

PROPOSED BY: FINANCE COMMITTEE

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to exceed the appropriation limits as set forth in Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979, as amended, by a specified amount, or take any other action relative thereto.

COMMENTS: This Article was inserted in the Warrant by the Finance Committee. The 4% Tax Cap legislation of the State affects both the Town's appropriations at the Annual Town Meeting in the Spring and appropriations at any Special Town Meetings during the fiscal year. As the Finance Committee reported to the Annual Town Meeting this past April, there are three caps in the legislation - the School cap, the Appropriation cap, and the Levy cap. In the current year, the School Budget was within its cap, and the Spring Town Meeting by a two-thirds vote approved expenditures of other Town expenses above the Appropriation and Levy caps. In the event any or all appropriations being considered earlier in this Warrant are approved, then a two-thirds vote to exceed the 4% Caps will again be required. Thus, the motion to be made under this Article will authorize the Town to exceed the applicable caps by an amount equal to the sums previously approved by the voters at this Special Town Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: The Finance Committee recommends approval of the Article.

You are required to serve this Warrant by posting copies thereof, attested by you, at the Town Building, at the public libraries in Cochituate and in Wayland Center, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before October 1, 1980.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-second day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighty.

HERBERT N. ODELL, JR.
MARCIA P. CROWLEY
W. H. IRVINE
L. THOMAS LINDEN
CATHERINE W. SEILER

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Finance Committee

A true copy attest: Joseph C. Brown

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